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HOUSE BILL 656

46TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2003

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AN ACT

RELATING TO WILDLIFE; PROVIDING FOR SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATES
FEATURING ARTWORK OF NEW MEXICO WILDLIFE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Motor Vehicle Code is
enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] SPECIAL WILDLIFE ARTWORK REGISTRATION
PLATES-- PROCEDURES-- FEE. --

A. The department shall establish and issue special
registration plates featuring artwork of New Mexico wildlife
for any private motor vehicle except a motorcycle. The
department shall adopt procedures for application for and
issuance of the special wildlife artwork registration plates.

B. The director of the department of game and fish
shall designate a "share with wildlife" license plate design

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1 committee that shall recommend to the director the color and
2 design of the special wildlife artwork registration plate. The
3 director in cooperation with the secretary shall determine the
4 design of the special wildlife artwork registration plates. No
5 personalized or vanity design variation of the special wildlife
6 artwork registration plates shall be issued.

7 C. For a fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which
8 shall be in addition to the regular motor vehicle registration
9 fees, an owner of a motor vehicle may apply for the issuance of
10 a special wildlife artwork registration plate. The owner of a
11 motor vehicle shall apply for the plate and pay the twenty-five
12 dollar (\$25.00) fee for the first year and ten dollars (\$10.00)
13 for each subsequent year if he wishes to retain and renew the
14 special wildlife artwork registration plate.

15 D. The revenue from the additional fee for a
16 special wildlife artwork registration plate shall be
17 distributed as follows:

18 (1) ten dollars (\$10.00) of the initial fee
19 collected shall be paid to the state treasurer for credit to
20 the motor vehicle suspense fund for distribution in accordance
21 with Section 66-6-23 NMSA 1978; and

22 (2) fifteen dollars (\$15.00) of the initial
23 fee and the entire renewal fee collected shall be distributed
24 to the share with wildlife program of the game protection
25 fund. "

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